## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1167 By Baird

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Chris Fox, 2004 Valedictorian of Union County High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Chris Fox is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2004 graduating class at Union County High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Mr. Fox has achieved outstanding academic success, and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Chris Fox has earned an exemplary grade point average; and

WHEREAS, a stellar scholar, Mr. Fox has also distinguished himself as a poet of great talent and erudition through his participation in Writer's Block; his outstanding work was published in *A Celebration of Young Poets* in the fall of 2002; and

WHEREAS, this exceptional young man has earned numerous accolades during his high school career; he received First Honors and the American Character and Citizenship Award in 2001-2004 and was tapped for inclusion on the National Honor Roll and *Who's Who Among American High School Students* in 2001-2004; and

WHEREAS, a valuable participant in his school's activities and his community's affairs, Mr. Fox has been a member of the Beta Club: and

WHEREAS, evidencing a strong commitment to public service at an early age, Chris has volunteered his time and considerable talents in support of numerous worthy civic and charitable projects, including Operation Christmas Child; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Fox's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his success in college and throughout life; and

WHEREAS, his noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, Alan and Regina Fox, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Chris Fox's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that Chris Fox, 2004 Union County High School Valedictorian, is hereby honored and commended on his impressive academic achievement. We extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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